

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

Law Offices of

CHAPMAN AND CUTLER LLP
Intellectual Property Department

111 West Monroe Street, 16th Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60603-4080

Telephone 1•312•845•3000 FAX 1•312• 701•2361

Direct Dial 1•312•845•3919**FACSIMILE COVER PAGE**This transmission consists of 4 page(s) including cover page.Please call **(312) 845-3413** if you have any problems with this transmission.**Date:** Friday, September 1, 2006**To:** MAIL STOP ISSUE FEEExaminer Nathaniel C. CHUKWARAH, Group Art Unit 3721**Firm/Company:** United States Patent and Trademark Office**Fax Number:** 571-273-8300**Confirmation No.:** 6995**From:** Robert J. Schneider, Reg. No. 27,383 **Matter Number:** 1715861**Ser. No.:** U.S. Pat. App. Ser. No. 10/500,808 **Extension:** 3919**ATTACHED:** Comment on Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

NOTICE OF CONFIDENTIALITY: The information contained in this facsimile transmission is confidential information which may contain information that is legally privileged and exempt from disclosure under applicable law. The information is intended solely for the use of the individual or entity named above. If you are not the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any disclosure, copying, distribution or taking of any action in reliance on the contents of this facsimile transmission is strictly prohibited. If you have received this facsimile transmission in error, please notify us immediately by telephone to arrange for the return of the original transmission to us.

U.S. Pat. App. Ser. No. 10/500,808
Attorney Docket No. 1715861

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

IN RE PATENT APPLICATION OF:)
KUNIO ISHIZAKI) Notice of Allowance Mailed: August 10, 2006
INTERNATIONAL APP. NO. PCT/JP03/00202) EXAMINER: NATHANIEL C. CHUKWURAH
U.S. SERIAL NO.: 10/500,808) GROUP ART UNIT: 3721
FILING DATE: JULY 7, 2004) CONFIRMATION NO.: 6995
FOR: STAPLER)
SEP 01 2006

FILED VIA FACSIMILE TO:

Mail Stop ISSUE FEE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**COMMENT ON
EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Greetings:

Applicant, by its undersigned attorneys, hereby enters the following Comment on the statement of reasons for allowance made by the Examiner in allowing this application.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.